

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES**

**Call to Order:** Chair David Howard, on April 11, 2011 at 3:00 PM, in Room 152 Capitol

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Rep. David Howard, Chairman (R)  
Rep. Cary Smith, Vice Chairman (R)  
Rep. Liz Bangerter (R)  
Rep. Steve Fitzpatrick (R)  
Rep. Timothy Furey (D)  
Rep. Chuck Hunter (D)  
Rep. Pat Ingraham (R)  
Rep. Dan Kennedy (R)  
Rep. Michael (Mike) More (R)  
Rep. Carolyn Pease-Lopez (D)  
Rep. Joe Read (R)  
Rep. Dan Skattum (R)  
Rep. Max Yates (R)

**Members Excused:** None

**Members Absent:** Rep. Pat Noonan, Vice Chairman (D)  
Rep. Ellie Boldman Hill (D)

**Staff Present:** KarenDe Herman, Committee Secretary  
Sue O'Connell, Legislative Branch

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted: SJ 18, 4/7/2011; SJ 20, 4/7/2011

Executive Action: SJ 18; SJ 20

00:00:45 Chairman Howard called the meeting to order.

**HEARING ON SJ 20**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:01:01 Sen. Art Wittich (R), SD 35, opened the hearing on SJ 20, Study resolution on implementation of privatization of Medicaid administration.

**Proponents' Testimony:** none

**Opponents' Testimony:** none

**Informational Testimony:** none

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:03:11 Rep. Hunter

00:03:40 Sen. Wittich

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:04:12 Sen Wittich

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SJ 20**

00:04:49 **Motion:** Rep. C. Smith moved that **SJ 20 BE CONCURRED IN.**

**Discussion:**

00:05:00 Rep. Ingraham

00:05:25 Rep. Hunter

00:07:07 Rep. Smith

00:07:58 Chairman Howard

00:08:57 Rep. Hunter

00:10:14 **Vote:** Motion carried 12-3 by roll call vote with Rep. Howard, Rep. Read and Rep. Yates voting no. Rep. Hill and Rep. Noonan voted by proxy. Rep. More will carry the bill.

**HEARING ON SJ 18**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:11:35 Sen. Kim Gillan (D), SD 24, opened the hearing on SJ 18, Interim study on health care workforce development initiatives.

00:11:57 Chairman Howard left the room.

00:14:04 Rep. Ingraham left the room.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:15:08 Bob Olson, Montana Hospital Association  
00:16:27 Chairman Howard reentered.  
00:16:53 Mike Foster, Catholic Hospitals of Montana  
00:18:25 Rep. Hill entered.  
00:18:35 Aimee Grmoljez, Billings Clinic  
00:19:34 Pat Bollinger, Montana Board of Medical Examiners  
00:20:53 Don Judge, Montana Nurses Association  
00:21:11 Rep. Ingraham reentered.  
00:22:52 Jean Branscum, Executive Director, Board of Medical Examiners, Department of Labor and Industry  
00:23:51 Rep. Noonan entered.  
00:23:57 Bill Warden, Benefis, Bozeman Deaconess, St. Peter's Hospital

**Opponents' Testimony:** none**Informational Testimony:** none**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:24:28 Rep. Kennedy  
00:24:46 Sen. Gillan  
00:25:43 Rep. Kennedy  
00:26:21 Sen. Gillan  
00:26:29 Rep. Kennedy  
00:26:37 Chairman Howard  
00:26:50 Mr. Foster  
00:26:59 Chairman Howard  
00:27:01 Mr. Foster  
00:27:35 Chairman Howard  
00:27:44 Mr. Foster  
00:28:27 Chairman Howard  
00:28:31 Mr. Foster

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:29:17 Sen. Gillan  
00:31:56 Rep. More left the room.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SJ 18**

00:32:23 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. C. Smith moved that **SJ 18 BE CONCURRED IN**. Motion carried 8-7 by roll call vote with Rep. Howard, Rep. Ingraham, Rep. Kennedy, Rep. More, Rep. Read, Rep. Smith and Rep. Yates voting no. Rep. More voted by proxy. Rep. Fitzpatrick will carry the bill.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 00:34:04

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KarenDe Herman, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([huh80aad.pdf](#))**